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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated March 17, 2005, attorney for applicant elects species 5 (figures 15-21). Pending claims 1-13 are believed to read on this species.

A personal interview regarding this case is requested for Wednesday, April 13, 2005.

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